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COMOR-D-25/56

18 November 1963

NRO review(s) completed.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance

SUBJECT: Long-Range Reconnaissance Program
for the Far East

1. Attached is a table which in its first four columns summarizes the COMOR requirements for, and the performance of, photographic missions flown against the Far East since May 1963. The last two columns contain Working Group recommendations and the NRO forecast of next missions. It is to be noted that the Working Group recommendations differ from COMOR-D-25/36 in the frequency recommended for coverage of three specific targets in North China and for coverage in the Sino-Indian border area. The Working Group recommendations also differ from the NRO forecast of next missions in North China. The accompanying map shows the geographic areas that are specified in the table.

2. The COMOR is requested, at its meeting of 21 November, to be prepared to advise whether they concur with the recommendation of the Working Group as presented in the second to the last column of Attachment 1.



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Chairman

Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance

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Attachments

1. Table
2. Map of COMOR Target Regions

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Attachment to
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REVIEW OF LONG-TERM RECONNAISSANCE PROGRAM FOR THE FAR EAST

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Area	Frequency Required (months)*	Missions Flown since 1 May 1963	Per Cent Targets Covered	Frequency of Coverage and Date of Next Mission as Recommended by Working Group	Date Next Mission as Forecast by NRO
Manchuria	6		54 <u>a/</u>	6 mos. - Mar 64 - Overall	Mar 64
North China	6		61 <u>a/</u>	6 mos. - Feb 64 - Overall 2 mos. - Nov 63 - MTR 3 mos. - Dec 63 - Pao Tou 3 mos. - Dec 63 - Pei Ping 3 mos. - Dec 63 - Lan Chou	Feb 64
Central China	4-6		51 <u>a/</u>	6 mos. - Nov 63 - Overall	Nov 63
South China	6		53 <u>a/</u>	6 mos. - Mar 64 - Overall 2 mos. - Nov 63 - Border	Mar 64 Nov 63
East China	Incident to coverage of other areas unless situation demands.		51	No specific missions required.	
North Korea	3		61 <u>b/</u>	3 mos. - Jan 64 - Overall	Jan 64
N. Vietnam/ Laos	1-1½		38 <u>c/</u>	1-1½ mos. - Nov 63 - Overall	Nov 63
Sino-Indian Border	4 (monthly if required)		60 <u>d/</u>	As border situation demands after mission over NEFA.	Nov 63

* Reference: COMOR D-25/36

a/ Since 1 May 1963
b/ Since 1 Aug 1963
c/ Since 15 Sept 1963
d/ Since 15 Jul 1966

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